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**Brief Summary of Selected Substantive Portions of this Response**

[0001] In a telephone discussion (11 August 2008), the Examiner indicated agreement with amendments in response to the 101 and 112 rejections. He also expressed agreement with a number of distinctions between the application and the cited art. Amendments are presented herein based on the discussion with the Examiner.

[0002] This brief summary is not intended to represent the Applicant's full response to the Action. Rather, it is merely a brief summary of selected substantive portions of the response herein.